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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING WATER-
ABSORBING RESIN

Examiner: Richard HUNN

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On August 5, 2009, an interview took place between Examiner Richard Hunn and Applicants' representative, Richard Gallagher. Applicants filed a response to the May 13, 2009 Office Action on August 11, 2009. A formal Examiner's Interview Summary issued on August 14, 2009. Applicants file herein a statement of the substance of the Interview.

The Examiner's Interview Summary dated August 14, 2009 correctly summarizes the issues discussed during the course of the Interview. A fuller description of Applicants' position with respect to those issues may be found in the Amendment filed in this application on August 11, 2009.

Please contact Richard Gallagher, Registration No. 28,781, at (703) 205-8008 with

any questions concerning the present application.

No fee is believed to be necessary in connection with this submission. If any fee is determined to be necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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